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Application Serial No. 10/653,824

Reply to Office Action mailed April 8, 2005

REMARKS

Claims 1-30 are pending in this application. No claims have been allowed. The Examiner mailed an Office Action on April 8, 2005, requiring a restriction to one of the following inventions under 35 U.S.C. § 121:

- I. Claims 1-11 [sic, 12] and 16 -27 drawn to a method of fabricating a piezoelectric composite apparatus, classified in class 29, subclass 594.
- II. Claims 13-15 and 28-30, drawn to a method of fabricating a plurality of piezoelectric fibers, classified in class 29, subclass 25.35.

In response to this requirement for restriction, the Applicants respond as follows:

- 1) Applicants elect to prosecute claims 1-12 and 16-27 for examination.
- 2) Applicants withdraw claims 13-15 and 28-30 from consideration at this time.
- 3) This election is made without traverse.
- 4) Although claims 13-15 and 28-30 are withdrawn from further consideration as directed to a non-elected invention, the Applicants reserve the right to file a divisional application thereon.
- 5) A Listing of Claims with the status of all claims and the text of all pending claims is included in this Response.

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CONCLUSION

In view of the above Response, the Applicants submit that all pending claims in the instant application are in condition for allowance. The Applicants respectfully request an early action to this end.

Respectfully submitted,

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